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BRITISH COAL INDUSTRY PLANNING EXPANSION

Derek Ezra, chairman of Great Britain's National Coal Board, recently said the Board is vigorously planning ahead for a large-scale domestic coal industry in the late 1970's and 1980's. Mr. Ezra, speaking before a conference of the British Association of Colliery Management, said: "Events are now beginning to run in the coal industry's favor because of the more widespread realization that the world is entering a major problem period of energy shortage." He stressed the danger of world demand outstripping available resources, with energy needs increasing by about 300 million tons of coal a year.

"In view of all the international warnings, it is clear that greater energy self-sufficiency should be Britain's objective," the NCB chairman said. "In this case the prospects for the coal industry are bright."

Nuclear power, with a long-range role of expansion, suffered short-term problems; off-shore gas was limited and showing signs of peaking out earlier than expected; and North Sea oil should primarily be used as a substitute for imported oil in order to cut the nation's balance of payments costs, Mr. Ezra explained.

"With these greatly improved prospects for indigenous coal, management is taking vigorous steps to ensure that the industry has the capacity to meet demands in the years ahead," he said.

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RAILROAD COAL DUMPINGS AT ATLANTIC PORTS
FOR OVERSEAS EXPORTS 1/

(Net Tons)

<u>Railroad and Port</u>	<u>1973</u>		<u>1972</u>	<u>% Change Year-to-Date</u>
	<u>May</u>	<u>January-May</u>	<u>January-May</u>	
<u>Penn Central</u>				
Baltimore	-	19,582	57,049	- 65.7%
Philadelphia	22,021	22,021	-	-
<u>Baltimore & Ohio</u>				
Baltimore	346,345	1,485,647	1,500,617	- 1.0
<u>Western Maryland</u>				
Baltimore	-	-	41,812	-
<u>Reading Company</u>				
Philadelphia	-	-	-	-
<u>Chesapeake & Ohio</u>				
Hampton Roads	336,376	2,246,504	3,526,021	- 36.3
<u>Norfolk & Western</u>				
Hampton Roads	1,913,434	10,150,741	12,011,938	- 15.5
Total	2,618,176	13,924,495	17,137,437	- 18.8%

1/ Includes shipments to U.S. military forces and nominal tonnages to Canada.

Source: Tidewater Bituminous Coal Statistical Bureau.

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COAL OUTPUT POTENTIAL IN COMMUNITY

Hard coal (anthracite and bituminous) production potential in the six-nations of the original European Economic Community is expected to drop from 154.9 million metric tons in 1973 to 129.7 million tons in 1975, according to statistics released by the ECSC Commission. Actual coal production in the 6-nation Community in 1972 totaled 145.7 million tons, of which 102.5 million tons were produced in West Germany.

Production and Production Potential by Coal Fields
(Millions of Metric Tons)

<u>Coal Field</u>	<u>1972</u>		<u>Expected Production Potential</u>			
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Potential</u>	<u>1973</u>	<u>1974</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
Ruhr	83.3	94.4	90.1	81.9	80.9	77.7
Aachen	6.3	7.3	7.2	7.0	6.9	6.5
Lower Saxony	2.5	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7
Saar	10.4	12.6	12.4	9.9	9.9	9.9
Total Germany (West)	102.5	117.0	112.4	101.5	100.4	96.8
Campine	7.3	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1
Southern Belgium	3.2	4.1	3.3	2.8	2.7	2.6
Total Belgium	10.5	13.2	12.4	11.9	11.8	11.7
Netherlands (Limburg)	2.8	3.5	2.2	1.1	-	-
Nord/Pas-de-Calais	12.7	13.5	11.5	10.3	9.5	8.4
Lorraine	10.9	12.0	11.1	10.9	10.7	10.6
Centre/Midi	6.2	6.7	5.3	4.5	3.5	2.2
Total France	29.8	32.2	27.9	25.7	23.7	21.2
Italy	0.1	0.1	-	-	-	-
TOTAL COMMUNITY	145.7	166.0	154.9	140.2	135.9	129.7

Note: The above table does not take into account the extraction of some mines of small capacity (258,000 tons in 1972, of which 237,000 tons from "small" German mines which do not figure in the official production statistics).

Source: "Investment in the Community Coalmining and Iron and Steel Industries,"

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Mr. Gilmore:

Attached is information relating to the second question you raised in our telephone conversation on 8 November. I hope it will be helpful.

As I suggested, your first question is for DOD response since they are the responsible agency for military procurement.

Please call if we can be of further assistance.

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